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INFORMATION UPDATE COUNT MANAGING APPARATUS,
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USAGE COUNT STORING APPARATUS

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Sir:

Favorable reconsideration of the above-identified application is respectfully
requested in view of the following comments.